FISCAL NOTE

HB 2186 - SB 2234

February 24, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires each local education agency (LEA) to designate at least one day during the school year to be known as *Report Card Pick Up Day for Parents*. The school shall remain open until 7:30 p.m. on that day to facilitate report card pick up by parents.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$25,000*

Assumptions:

- There are more than 1,600 public schools in the state. The
 cost would depend on whether teachers or support staff would
 be responsible for distributing report cards; the number of
 staff needed in each school to handle the number of parents
 coming into the school to pick up report cards; whether
 parents could pick up report cards during regular school
 hours on that day.
- It is estimated that each school would need at least two staff persons or teachers to remain at the school until 7:30 p.m. or three additional hours. However, more than two employees would be needed in a majority of the schools.
- If these staff persons are compensated in addition to regular salary, for the three hours worked after the end of the school day, local government expenditures would increase. Such increase is estimated to exceed \$25,000 statewide.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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